

Date of Notice: July 27, 2023

## NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

## **ENGINEERING & CAPITAL PROJECTS DEPARTMENT**

WBS No. B-21048.02.06 (S), B-21049.02.06 (W)

PROJECT NAME: Normal Heights Improv 1

**COMMUNITY PLAN AREA:** Mid-City: Normal Heights

**COUNCIL DISTRICT: 3** 

LOCATION: The project is located along the alley west of Bancroft Street between Adams Avenue and Madison Avenue; along 33rd Street, Felton Street, Swift Avenue, Wilson Avenue, 36th Street between Meade Avenue and El Cajon Boulevard; along 33<sup>rd</sup> Street between Monroe Avenue and Meade Avenue; along 35<sup>th</sup> Street between Adams Avenue and El Cajon Boulevard; along Wilson Avenue between Adams Avenue and Meade Avenue; along the alley east of Wilson Street between the alley south of Adams Avenue and Meade Avenue; along 36<sup>th</sup> Street between the alley south of Adams Avenue and Meade Avenue; along the alley east of 36<sup>th</sup> Street between the alley south of Adams Avenue and Meade Avenue; along Cherokee Avenue between Adams Avenue and Meade Avenue; along the alley east of Cherokee Avenue between Madison Avenue and Meade Avenue, and between the alley south of Adams Avenue and East Mountain View; along 37th Street between Madison Avenue and Monroe Avenue; along the easement west of 38th Street between East Mountain View and Ward Road; along Adams Avenue between 35th Street and East Mountain View; along the alley south of Adams Avenue between Interstate 805 and Iowa Street, between 32<sup>nd</sup> Street and 33rd Street and between 35th Street and the alley east of Cherokee Avenue; along the alley north of Madison Avenue between 35<sup>th</sup> Street and the alley west of Wilson Avenue; along Madison Avenue between the alley east of 32<sup>nd</sup> Street and Bancroft Street, between Hawley Boulevard and alley east of Cherokee Avenue; along Monroe Avenue between the alley east of Wilson Avenue and McClintock Street; along Meade Avenue between 35th Street and the alley east of Cherokee Avenue; along El Cajon Boulevard between Bancroft Street and 33<sup>rd</sup> Street and the intersection of El Cajon Boulevard and Felton Street.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The project consists of the following water, sewer, and street improvements:

<u>Water Improvements:</u> Install approximately 12,178 linear feet (LF) (2.30 miles) of 8- and 12-inch diameter polyvinyl chloride (PVC) water mains to replace existing asbestos cement (AC) water mains; install approximately 7,120 LF (1.35 miles) of new 8-inch diameter water main; abandon approximately 8,165 LF (1.55 miles) of existing water main; replumb approximately 460 water services; and install new fire hydrants.

<u>Sewer Improvements:</u> Install approximately 3,215 LF (0.61 miles) of 8- and 10-inch diameter PVC sewer mains to replace existing vitrified clay (VC) and concrete pipe (CP) sewer mains, including associated laterals, new manholes, new cleanouts, and other appurtenances.

<u>Street Improvements:</u> The project will overlay approximately 2,350 LF (0.44 mile) of roadway; install new curb ramps; replace existing cross gutters, curb ramps, alley aprons, traffic control signals and restripe roadways.

Open trench and trenchless construction methods will be used for both water and sewer improvements. All work proposed will be conducted in existing, developed City of San Diego right-of-way.

**ENTITY CONSIDERING PROJECT APPROVAL:** City of San Diego

**ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** This activity is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA State Guidelines, Section 15301 Existing Facilities and 15302 Replacement or Reconstruction, 15303 New Construction.

**ENTITY MAKING ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** City of San Diego Engineering & Capital Projects Department

**STATEMENT SUPPORTING REASON FOR ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** The City of San Diego conducted an environmental review which determined that the project meets the categorical exemption criteria set forth in CEQA State Guidelines, Sections 15301 (Existing Facilities) which consist of the repair, maintenance of existing public structures such as existing water and sewer mains and laterals including cross gutters, curb ramps, aprons; 15302 (Replacement and Construction) which consist of the replacement or reconstruction of existing water and sewer mains and laterals, street resurface (pavement overlay), cross gutters, curb ramps, aprons and traffic control signals; 15303 (New Construction) which allows for the construction of a limited number of new small structures or facilities such as new curb ramps, manholes, cleanouts and fire hydrants; and where the exceptions listed in Section 15300.2 would not apply.

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On July 27, 2023, the City of San Diego made the above-referenced environmental determination pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This determination is appealable to the City Council. If you have any questions about this determination, contact the City Project Manager listed above.

Applications to appeal CEQA determinations made by staff to the City Council must be filed in the Office of the City Clerk within ten (5) business days from the date of the posting of this Notice (August 3, 2023). Appeal procedures are described in Information Bulletin 505 (<a href="https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/dsdib505.pdf">https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/dsdib505.pdf</a>). Appeals to the City Clerk must be filed by email or in-person as follows:

1) <u>Appeals filed via E-mail:</u> The Environmental Determination Appeal Application Form DS-3031 can be obtained at <a href="https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/legacy/development-services/pdf/industry/forms/ds3031.pdf">https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/legacy/development-services/pdf/industry/forms/ds3031.pdf</a>. Send the completed appeal application form (including grounds for appeal and supporting documentation in pdf format) by email to

<u>Hearings1@sandiego.gov</u> by 5:00 p.m. on the last day of the appeal period; your email appeal will be acknowledged within 24 hours. You must separately mail the appeal fee by check payable to the City Treasurer to: City Clerk/Appeal, MS 2A, 202 C Street, San Diego, CA 92101. The appeal filing fee must be United States Postal Service (USPS) postmarked within 5 business days of the date the appeal is filed.

2) Appeals filed in person: The Environmental Determination Appeal Application Form DS-3031 can be obtained at <a href="https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/legacy/development-services/pdf/industry/forms/ds3031.pdf">https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/legacy/development-services/pdf/industry/forms/ds3031.pdf</a>. Deposit the fully completed appeal application (including grounds for appeal and supporting documentation) to the City Administration Building—Public Information Counter (Open 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday excluding City-approved holidays), 1st Floor Lobby, located at 202 C Street, San Diego, CA 92101, by 5:00 p.m. on the last day of the appeal period. The completed appeal form shall include the required appeal fee, with a check payable to: City Treasurer. Please include the project name on the memo line of the check/money order This Drop-Off Box is checked daily, and payments are processed the following business day.

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